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Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—" May I know whether about the end of September the Collector in his weather report mentioned that in these particular firkas there was want of necessary rain for the crops? Are the Government aware of that? "

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—" I cannot say from memory, Sir."

Cultivation of crops in Pattikonda taluk from April to September 1928.

* 733 Q.—Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state in regard to every village of the Pattikonda and Maddikara firkas of the Pattikonda taluk—

(a) what the rainfall was from the 1st of April up to the 15th of September 1928 ;

(b) what area was cultivated up to the 15th of September 1928 under each crop ;

(c) whether any area was recultivated during the period from 1st April to the 15th of September 1928 and, if so, what the extent of the area was ; and

(d) what the average area is that is usually cultivated during this season under each crop ?

A.—(a) to (d) The hon. Member is referred to the District Gazettes for the period, where he will find reported the rainfall recorded at the rain-gauge station of Pattikonda. In regard to the rainfall in the other villages referred to and to the particulars called for in clauses (b), (c) and (d), information is not available in any existing return or report and would have to be specially compiled from the village accounts. The Government regret they do not know of any reason that would justify their ordering such compilation.

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—" May I know if the Government are prepared to find out if the fact stated by me is true and if that is true, whether they will make enquiries as to the conditions of the season in those areas? "

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—" If it is suggested that we should make a special enquiry as to the state of the season, the answer is 'yes'."

Revision of the South Kanara District Manual.

* 734 Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) when the South Kanara District Manual was last published ; and

(b) whether the Government propose to revise it and make it up to date?.

A.—(a) In 1894 and 1895.

(b) The hon. Member's attention is invited to the answer to clause (c) of question No. 312 given at the meeting of 8th September 1928.